

**Recycled Water Use Site Inspection Program
County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County
District Nos. 14 and 20**

1. Introduction

County Sanitation District Nos. 14 and 20 of Los Angeles County (Districts) have developed Requirements for Recycled Water Users (Requirements). The Requirements, which are mandated by the Water Code, have been developed to ensure that recycled water users comply with all applicable statutes, regulations, and the Districts' Master Permits. A Master Permit has been adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region (LRWQCB) for the Lancaster Water Reclamation Plant (WRP). The Districts expect that a Master Permit for the Palmdale WRP will also be adopted in the future. For Master Permits, the Water Code specifies that the permittee conduct "periodic" inspections of the recycled water use sites (Sites) to monitor compliance with the uniform statewide recycling criteria established by California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and the Requirements of the Master Permit. The Requirements address Site inspections in Sections 6, 7, 8 and 9. This document summarizes the requirements pertaining to Site inspections and describes specific implementation procedures.

2. Inspection Program

The inspection program will consist of the following elements:

- 2.1. The Districts' inspection program consists of inspections conducted by both the Districts and the Purveyors, currently the City of Lancaster and the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40. These inspections are in addition to inspections conducted by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (LACDPH) or other regulatory agencies.
- 2.2. The Districts will conduct an initial baseline inspection of new Sites during their first year of operation. The LACDPH will also conduct inspections during Site construction and prior to a Site's initial operation.
- 2.3. Upon completion of the baseline inspections, the Districts will conduct periodic site inspections once every three years. The Districts may conduct more frequent inspections depending on factors such as compliance record, potential for human exposure to recycled water and Site retrofits.
- 2.4. For Sites out of compliance, the Districts will conduct annual follow-up inspections.
- 2.5. The Purveyors must also conduct periodic inspections once every three years at a minimum. These inspections will be independent of the Districts' inspections. The Districts may require more frequent inspections by the Purveyors depending on factors such as compliance record, potential for human exposure to recycled water and Site retrofits.
- 2.6. The Districts will work with the Purveyors and users to ensure that the periodic inspections address the Master Permits, the Requirements, applicable laws and regulations, and LACDPH or local health department guidelines.
- 2.7. The Districts require Purveyors to develop and initiate an inspection program within the first year of a Site's operation.
- 2.8. A Site Inspection Report will be completed for each inspection. The Districts' Site Inspection Report Form is attached. The Purveyors may elect to use the Districts' Site Inspection Report

Form for adopt their own. In the latter case, the Districts will work with the Purveyors to ensure all regulatory requirements are addressed in the Site Inspection Report.

- 2.9. The Site Inspection Report shall be signed and dated by the Site Supervisor and the inspector, and provided to the Districts (if the Districts are not the inspector) within thirty (30) days following the end of the quarter in which the inspection was conducted.
- 2.10. The inspector shall immediately notify the Site Supervisor of violation(s) identified during Site inspections and what corrective actions and follow up actions must be taken.
- 2.11. The Site Supervisor shall notify the Districts by telephone or electronic means upon knowledge of any noncompliance with applicable laws and regulations, the Districts' Permits, and the Requirements. Written confirmation shall be provided within three (3) business days from the date of notification.
- 2.12. The Purveyor or Direct User shall provide written verification to the Districts within ninety (90) days from the date of knowledge of the violation that corrective actions have been implemented.
- 2.13. Site Inspection Reports shall be maintained by the Site Supervisor or Purveyor.
- 2.14. The Purveyor shall notify the Districts by electronic means at least one (1) week prior to conducting a Site inspection.
- 2.15. The Districts will maintain a database of Sites, inspections, and compliance actions.
- 2.16. The recycled water user shall allow an authorized representative of any of the following agencies the right to enter and conduct an inspection of the Site upon presentation of proper credentials: the Districts, LRWQCB, CDPH, LACDPH or local health department.